# CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

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| **Title of publication:** | 7880e6eac5517c95 |
| **Other known title(s):** | Not stated |
| **OFLC ref:** | 1200777.005 |
| **Medium:** | Computer Image File Printout |
| **Publisher:** | Not stated |
| **Country of origin:** | Not stated |
| **Language:** | Not applicable |
| **Applicant:** | Waitakere District Court |
| **Classification:** | Objectionable. |
| **Descriptive note:** | None |
| **Display conditions:** | None |
| **Date of entry in Register:** | 01 October 2012 |
| **Date of direction to issue a label:** | No direction to issue a label has been issued |
| **Date of notice of decision:** | No notice of decision has been issued |

**Summary of reasons for decision:**

The computer image file printout is deemed objectionable because it promotes and supports the exploitation of children and young persons for sexual purposes.

The printout has a sexualised photo showing a naked prepubescent girl and a near-naked young teenage girl posing in a manner contrived to draw attention to their youthful bodies and sexual characteristics. The older girl's pose is sexually provocative and the sexual tone is heightened by the suggestion that she is about to remove her brief bikini bottom. The source of the mage is the internet. The printout encourages a sexual interest in young girls and strengthens the idea that they may be used for adult sexual gratification. The effect is to encourage the sexual exploitation of children and young persons.

The classification of this publication interferes with the right to freedom of expression set out in the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990. However, this is an outcome that is consistent with Parliament's intention and is a reasonable limitation on the freedom of expression. The classification reflects the concern of a free and democratic society to protect its young and vulnerable members from sexual exploitation.